



BY THE GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF GEORGIA

A PROCLAMATION

GEORGIA WEEK FOR THE ANIMALS

- WHEREAS: The 7th annual Georgia Week for the Animals raises awareness for animal protection and responsible caretaking. Animals work and live alongside humans and provide inestimable companionship to individuals around the state and across our nation; and
- WHEREAS: This week brings together animal shelters, rescue groups, educational institutions, and humane organizations from around the state to host events that help save animal lives and promote the importance of proper health care for animals; and
- WHEREAS: Assistance animals offer individuals the ability to address and potentially overcome disability-related limitations. They are devoted partners and companions whose service helps to ensure a guardian's overall health and well-being; and
- WHEREAS: The State of Georgia wishes to promote animal rescue and adoption, as well as responsible stewardship of all animals. In conjunction with local law enforcement and state agencies, the State of Georgia vigorously investigates and prosecutes crimes against animals; and
- WHEREAS: Organizations including Animal World USA advocate assistance for animals by uniting communities and raising awareness about the importance of adopting pets from shelters, as well as spaying and neutering pets; and
- WHEREAS: During the Georgia Week for the Animals, we celebrate the joy, service, and love that animals bring to our lives; now
- THEREFORE: I, NATHAN DEAL, Governor of the State of Georgia, do hereby proclaim November 25 – December 3, 2017, as the GEORGIA WEEK FOR THE ANIMALS and encourage Georgia citizens to support local efforts to help homeless animals and recommit to responsible pet ownership.

In witness thereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the Executive Department to be affixed this 15th day of November in the year of our Lord two thousand seventeen.



Nathan Deal

GOVERNOR

ATTEST

Chris W. Riley

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